Health and Human Needs Committee Meeting Wednesday, March 31, 2010 4: 03 P.M. Third Floor, City Hall

Present: Chair: CW Welch

Vice Chair: CM Kramer

Members: CW Butler, CM Benson and CW Woolridge

Also Present: CW Bryant Hamilton

Chairman Welch began the meeting by announcing the members of the committee that were present. A quorum was established.

## **Pending Legislation**

R-65-03-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM E.ON U.S. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 FOR TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES TO BE USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND FAMILY SERVICES TO ENHANCE THE DEPARTMENT'S ABILITY TO SERVE FAMILIES CHALLENGED BY THE COST OF WINTER HEATING BILLS.

Status:-In-Committee

**Committee:-**Health & Human Needs **Primary Sponsor:-**Judy Green

Motion to approve made by Stuart Benson and second by Kevin Kramer.

**Discussion:** Cassandra Miller, Housing and Family Services with the Department of Human Services, spoke to the item. The following was discussed.

- Some of the upgrades will enhance their abilities in the internal department in Human Services
  - Funds will also be used to enhance technology upgrades at The Neighborhood Place
- Increasing the capacity to do some data line connections at several Neighborhood Place Sites
- Computer upgrades with the routers
- Upgrades in the conference room space to host various conferences using different means of technology
- Phone systems upgrade at several of the Neighborhood Place Sites

## **Passed**

For: 5; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

For: Mary C. Woolridge, Kevin Kramer, Vicki Aubrey Welch, Marianne Butler, Stuart Benson

Against: (None) Abstain: (None) Absent: (None)

R-85-03-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF CERAMIC SPACE HEATERS FROM METRO UNITED WAY VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY \$11,790.00 TO BE USED BY THE HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND FAMILY SERVICES.

Status:-In-Committee

**Committee:-**Health & Human Needs **Primary Sponsor:-**Judy Green

Motion to Approve made by Mary C. Woolridge and second by Stuart Benson.

**Discussion:** Cassandra Miller, Housing and Family Services with the Department of Human Services, spoke to the item. The following was discussed.

- The heaters will impact up to 263 families
- ❖ Value of Heater \$45.00
- Families of low income can apply
- Cost saving heat smaller spaces
- Heaters were determined to be safe
  - ✓ Ceramic in their make-up similar to what people use in an office setting
- Safety sheets and guidance will be given when the heaters are given out
- The heaters will be given out on first come first serve basis
  - ✓ Will be available at all eight Neighborhood Place Sites

## **Passed**

For: 5; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

For: Mary C. Woolridge, Kevin Kramer, Vicki Aubrey Welch, Marianne Butler, Stuart Benson

Against: (None) Abstain: (None) Absent: (None)

By unanimous vote, this item was sent to the **Consent Calendar** on the April 15, 2010 Council Agenda.

R-91-03-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A \$7,878,491.00 GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR A PROJECT NAMED COMMUNITIES PUTTING PREVENTION TO WORK.

Status:-In-Committee

Committee:-Health & Human Needs Primary Sponsor:-Vicki Aubrey Welch

Motion to a pprove made by Mary C. Woolridge and second by Stuart Benson.

**Discussion:** B. J. Adkins with the Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness spoke to the item. The following was discussed.

- ❖ Applied for funds last October application was due December 1<sup>st</sup> Government by people interested in the funding
  - √ 44 were awarded and Louisville was in that number
  - √ The money was received under a category called Urban Area because that was setup for populations less than 1 million people
- Out of the funding 23 strategies will be implemented throughout Louisville Jefferson County
  - ✓ Done in three specific neighborhoods that had demonstrated statically high need due to poor health outcomes
  - ✓ Included entire Jefferson County jurisdiction and the Jefferson County Public Schools population
  - ✓ An application was submitted to address obesity
  - ✓ The goal is to decrease obesity by increasing physical activity and good nutrition.
- Dr. Troutman asked CW Welch to be on the coalition team to help administer the spending of the funds
- The grant was received on Louisville's reputation being successful in environmental change
  - ✓ Ms. Adkins stated she was not aware of being able to apply for the funds again

- ❖ The Committee thank B.J. Adkins for her hard work
- 5 million dollars will be spread throughout the agencies in Louisville Metro Government and the community

CW Woolridge and CW Hamilton asked to be signed on as Co-Sponsors.

Passed

For: 5; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

For: Mary C. Woolridge, Kevin Kramer, Vicki Aubrey Welch, Marianne Butler, Stuart Benson

Against: (None) Abstain: (None) Absent: (None)

Motion to adjourn made by CW Woolridge and second by CM Kramer

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

\*NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the Metro Council Meeting on April 15, 2010.

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